

# **Transportation Benefit District** <sup>[1]</sup>

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## **What is a TBD?**

A "TBD" or Transportation benefit District is a quasi-municipal corporation and independent taxing district created for the sole purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, providing, and funding transportation improvements within the district. The boundaries of the TBD are identical with the City limits.

The Washington State legislature permits local governments to establish a TBD and accompanying funding sources to provide for the preservation, maintenance, and construction of local public ways.

Statutory authority for Transportation Benefit Districts has existed for 20 years. However, until 2007, to establish a TBD required a vote of the people. In 2007, the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) worked with the Legislature to provide some relief to cities and counties for traffic congestion. AWC was successful in amending the law to allow some flexibility. A City (or County) may now implement up to a \$20 per vehicle fee with City Council (or County Commissioner) approval under [Chapter 36.73 RCW](#) <sup>[5]</sup>. The members of the legislative authority proposing to establish the district, in this case the Kelso City Council, make up the TBD Board. Members of the TBD Board are acting ex-officio and independently from City Council.

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